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PHYSICIAN \$200,000
UNABLE TO ACTION BY
TESTIFY FITZHUGH

Inside Story of Grand Trunk
Invasion of New England
to Be Told

The most sensational battle of railroad systems that New England ever knew found an echo

today in the filing at Concord, N. H., of a \$200,000 damage suit against the Grand Trunk and Eastern N. H. Ry. Co. by the

Central Vermont Railroad by Earl H. Fithugh of New London, vice-president and standard bearer of the Grand Trunk Railroad.

In his suit, Mr. Buchanan charges that when the Grand Truck entered

into an agreement with the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad and the city of Chicago, Stephen S. Mellen, to abandon the excavations (rel-

Mr. Fitzhugh alleges that because he told the truth about his agreement to the Grand Jury, that today

He claims that he was forced to resign to save his job. "The defendants began a malicious campaign to ruin the plaintiff's career as a railroad executive and to discredit him as a man."

He avers that he was forced to resign as president of the Central Vermont road and as vice-president of the Grand Trunk and that two days later "the conspirators" announced

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PROFANITY IN THEATRE

young men found guilty of using profane language in a theatre. Girls were complainants. The young men, Vincent Campbell, Joseph Heardon and Edward Meehan, appealed and were held in \$200 bail each.

5 FINED IN BRIGHTON COURT FOR SPITTING
Five men appeared in Brighton

Court today and were fined \$5 each for spitting in Brighton, Saturday night. They were James J. Leahy of Woburn, Dominicko Tempesto of Snow street, Brighton; John J. Casey of West Newton, William H. Skelly of Newton and

Edward J. Ford of Litchfield street,
Brighton.

EUROPE FIZZLED DESEIRE TO WHITE MUST FORM ITS BASIS

By GUGLIELMO FERRERO
1770 The Boston American Building, Boston.
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Rome, Jan. 27.—In my previous article I endeavored to show that one of the main obstacles in the way of peace is the question of nationality. Europe desires that the work of reconstruction be carried on in accordance with the principles of nationality, but it is as yet unable to give a precise definition of what constitutes nationality, or to indicate the distinguishing marks by which it may be recognized.

There remains, then, but one thing worthy, straightforward way of discussing these peace problems which, as is the case with the special difficulties confronting Italy, are closely connected with the question of nationality. We must first find a precise, coherent and comprehensive definition of nationality, and then proceed to apply it with unswerving impartiality to each problem in matter, whether it favors or disfavors our own particular interests.

NATIONALITY A THEORY.
What, then, is a nationality? During the nineteenth century the question was discussed largely by Mazzini and Mazzini, the great Italian statesman, who defined it as follows: "A nationality is a group of men who speak the same language, have the same customs, and are united by the same sentiment of nationality." This definition is not only clear, but it is also comprehensive, for it includes all the elements which enter into the formation of a nationality.

In addition to having a common language and culture, a nation must desire to do so. It is this desire, this feeling of nationality, which is the basis of a nation's unity. It is this feeling which makes a nation a nation, and it is this feeling which makes a nation a nation.

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Walk through every day—we may have just what you want, although not advertised.

fine white muslin underthings
(Small lots—come early!)
corset covers—trimmed with lace and embroidered 35c
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These have been reunderlined and are fresh and clean. Chemises delicately trimmed with lace and embroidery. 50c and 78c. Bloomers with elastic at waist and knee, 50c.

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Tulle white material finished with pin tucks and embroidered ruffles. 50c

500 good waists 79c
42 gold color satin
38 wool flannel
100 striped voile
400 fancy trimmed voile

think of EMERSON RECORDS at 12c!
The famous seven-inch double disc records that play on most any talking machine. The quantity is limited but the selection is good. On sale in two places in Basement balcony.

Low as this price is on these records, if they don't sell quickly they'll be automatically reduced after 12 selling days, after 12 selling days, after 12 selling days, and if any remain after 30 selling days they'll be given away.

extra size sample underwear automatically reduced 25% after 12 selling days
from 90c and up to 83c to 67c and up to 25c

hundreds of yards
39 inch percale, 21c yd. 39 inch khaki denim, 11c yd.

EUROPE FIZZLED WHAT CONSTITUTES A NATION

In Congress Today

Washington, Jan. 27.—President Wilson would be stripped of his power to turn back the railroads to their private owners whenever he so desires under a bill presented in the Senate today by Senator Cummins of Iowa. The purpose of the bill, Senator Cummins said, is to leave Congress free to exercise its own judgment as to when the roads should be turned back without being influenced by threats from the executive department.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Carrying out appropriations of \$2,702,364, the Rivers and Harbors bill was favorably reported to the Senate by the commerce committee this afternoon. As passed by the House the appropriation totaled \$2,929,244. The Connecticut River project, contained for by Senator Wells and Representative Gillett, was not included in the bill.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Continued on the \$100,000,000 famine fund bill reached a complete agreement today. Practically all Senate amendments were accepted. These provided, among other things, that the money should be so far as practicable be expended on the purchase of American wheat, and that no part of the appropriation should be expended on Germany, Germany-Austria, Turkey or Bulgaria.

denza for political union, as sufficient to constitute a nation? This is the most delicate and difficult point of the whole problem. If the reply be in the affirmative, we would undoubtedly have a new method of solving theoretically each question of nationality, and we would be able to find some simple method of putting the question to a vote in the legislative assembly, thus allowing the people to decide in what state they wish to be united.

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DR. DILLON'S ARTICLE LEAGUE NOT TO ABROGATE NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY

By DR. E. J. DILLON.
Special Cable to the Boston American and Philadelphia Public Ledger.
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Paris, Jan. 27.—It is an able and able article that the governments of Omsk, Ekaterinburg and Archangel will refrain out of deference towards the allied states from giving official expression to the feelings evoked by the plenipotentiaries' decision to hold a consultation with the Bolsheviks. They will content themselves with abstaining from participation in the peace conference at Prince's Island, abandoning their hopes of assistance from the allies and reading their views and sentiments on the present situation and future policy of Russia to the new and disquieting conditions created by that decision.

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According to this plan the plenipotentiaries were charged with the purpose of retrieving circumstances, which had been created by the Bolsheviks, but repudiated by the plenipotentiaries. It is a masterpiece of the financial world, and it is a masterpiece of the financial world.

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BUSINESS AMONG POST OFFICE EMPLOYEES

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SAVING SWEEP OVERBOARD HURRICANE

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TECH FLYING SCHOOL GOES TO GREAT LAKES

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Announcement has been made that the Great Lakes Aviation Training School will be kept intact and that other aviation schools in the United States will be brought to Great Lakes and concentrated in one big school. Among the schools to be transferred to Great Lakes are: Naval Air Training Station, Pensacola, Fla.; Boston School of Technology, Boston; Army School of Aviation, Dayton, Ohio; and the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

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First of \$5,000 Prize-Winning Patriotic Songs in Next Sunday's Advertiser and American

Watch next Sunday's Boston Advertiser-American for the first publication of prize-winning songs in the \$5,000 patriotic song contest of the Hearst newspapers.

Publication begins with a patriotic song that should stir the pulse of every red-blooded American.

Your vote in this contest will help choose America's new national melody. See next Sunday's paper for full details of the great crusade to commemorate America's part in the world war in music.

Compositions by some of the greatest composers in America will be published in the coming patriotic song series.

ARMY MEN TO LOSE COMPANY SAVINGS

By International News Service.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Will the regular army become a war profiteer through the acquisition of company funds left in the demobilization of National Guard and National Army organizations?

This is the question being asked today by army officers and men who have left the service and are interested in the disposition of the surplus funds which were on hand when the demobilization orders were received.

According to a circular recently received by the War Department, all funds of whatever nature, except those arising from ration savings, will be converted into a check drawn to the order of the director of finance, purchase, storage and traffic division, general staff, and mailed to him with a statement showing the sources from which the funds are derived, status separately in the amount derived from each organization involved.

The amount of these checks will be deposited with the treasurer of the United States to the credit of a special deposit account.

These funds will be used only for such purposes as may hereafter be designated by the Secretary of War. Property of units serving overseas will be sold, including Liberty Bonds, and the proceeds after paying off all claims will be paid into the finance division for deposit as above.

The nucleus of these accounts was acquired by the National Guard organizations before they were sworn into the Federal service. Upon demobilization organizations that have existed for years will be legally dissolved and their funds will be in the hands of the regulars. If the State re-establishes the guard it will have to make a fight to get back its money.

One comparatively small post located in Washington is said to have funds of more than \$100,000, almost solely from the individual efforts of the enlisted men through entertainments, etc.

The question these boys are asking is: "Will the regulars reap the benefit of our hard work?"

SOCIETY HAPPENINGS



Miss Frances Hood, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur N. Hood of Chestnut Hill, who is devoting all her time to war work. Miss Hood is a member of the 1918 Sewing Circle.

By SARA ORCUTT.

The engagement of Miss Ethel Morse to William Chandler Bowditch, announced at a tea on Wednesday given by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Henry Morse, parents of Miss Morse, at their home, No. 128 Marlboro street, last Saturday night.

Mr. Bowditch is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Bowditch of No. 12 Maine street, Brookline. At present Mr. Bowditch is employed by the government in the United States Shipping Board recruiting service at East Boston.

The Rev. and Mrs. Thacker B. Kimball of Brook Hill road, Hyde Park, are leaving this evening for a visit, accompanied by the Rev. Kimball's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Kimball of Jamaica Plain, to their winter home in Miami, Fla.

SEEK HUSBAND IN RICHMOND GIRL'S DEATH

Richmond, Va., Jan. 27.—One of the most mysterious crimes in the history of the South is believed today to be near solution in the identification of the body of the young woman found on the bank of the James River December 30, that of Mrs. Sue Kathleen Hadley. She was the talented and attractive wife of Dr. William Anna Hadley, a former army surgeon, who has disappeared and is now being sought in Texas and other States.

Mrs. Hadley, before her marriage five years ago, was Miss Sue Kathleen Timiney of Richmond. She was prominent in Richmond social and literary circles and had a large number of friends.

Dr. Hadley disappeared from Richmond December 6, just twelve days after his wife's disappearance. On November 24 she left her apartment here apparently to take a walk with her husband. Three hours later he returned alone and told neighbors she had suddenly accepted an invitation to accompany friends touring through Richmond en route for Pittsburgh.

Several days after Dr. Hadley's disappearance his wife's sister, Mrs. A. H. Evans, wife of wealthy chemical manufacturer in Cincinnati, received a letter from him dated December 7, from Atlanta, Ga., which stated that his wife had died in San Juan, P. R., on November 24, and that he had buried her body there in the American cemetery. He stated

further that he had called immediately for this country and had just arrived in Atlanta.

It has been learned that Dr. Hadley received his discharge from the War Department Hospital here on December 5.

Naval Officer Asks Divorce, Charges Desertion

To the District Supreme Court today, before Judge Cox, Mrs. Catherine P. O. Cook filed a petition for an absolute divorce on the ground of her husband's desertion, charged with desertion.

Charles Martin Cook, the husband, a graduate of Annapolis, in 1916, was a navy lieutenant-commander temporarily stationed at Washington.

They were married in New York on September 15, 1915. In Boston they lived at the Tremont Apartments and then moved to Northville. In December, 1915, Cook was obliged to go to Scupper, where, he was visited by his wife, and when he returned in 1915 she finally refused to live with him again, he says.

At present, she is receiving \$125 a month to support herself and son child. He receives about \$200 a month and claims to have not saved a cent since he entered the navy, because of high prices he must pay in Washington. His board and room cost him \$125 each month, he declares. No definite action was taken by the court, but it was suggested that the couple meet and reach an agreement.

During the years that he lived in New York, Devoille maintained a similar apartment here in the Fifth, between Madison and Park avenues. There he was the center of a large party. In a matter of months, he had accumulated a large fortune of \$100,000, he is said to have accumulated.

Devoille was said to have been a visitor, too, at the dance given in the home of the wealthy Mr. James Conrad, photographer and producer of silent films at No. 45 West 45th street.

In New York he was known variously as "Dancer" and "Dandy."

A man well known in musical circles, said that he had danced first in New York as a dancer in the Fox-Warner show entitled "Queen of the Monte Rouge." He had a

'REGGIE DEVOILLE' SET FAST PACE IN NEW YORK

New York, Jan. 27.—A vivid picture of the life in New York for five years of Reggie Devoille, of "Reggie Devoille" dancer, fashion designer and socialite, was sketched today.

Devoille is said to have been a charge of manslaughter in connection with the tragic death of a woman named "Billie Carlton," the popular English-Japanese actress. Testimony gathered in London was to the effect that Miss Carlton smoked opium at Devoille's suggestion, she was, however, about 300 miles from New York at the time of her death.

During the years that he lived in New York, Devoille maintained a similar apartment here in the Fifth, between Madison and Park avenues. There he was the center of a large party. In a matter of months, he had accumulated a large fortune of \$100,000, he is said to have accumulated.

Devoille was said to have been a visitor, too, at the dance given in the home of the wealthy Mr. James Conrad, photographer and producer of silent films at No. 45 West 45th street.

In New York he was known variously as "Dancer" and "Dandy."

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Lauds the American for Its Work at Camp Devens

Editor Boston American:

May I not express to you, on behalf of the Knights of Columbus War Activities at Camp Devens, deep appreciation of the very signal services rendered by the Boston American?

Your representative here, Mr. Thomas P. Phelan, has, on all occasions, shown a most courteous willingness to be of material assistance to us in our work in the highest interests of the men in khaki.

Cordially and gratefully yours, WILLIAM E. KERRISHL, Publicity Secretary.

WAGE INCREASE OR STRIKE, SAY PHONE GIRLS

Boston telephone girls are ready to strike unless their demand for wage increase is granted immediately.

This was made plain at a meeting of the Joint Council of Telephone Workers of New England, at which the representatives of Boston Telephone Operators Union were present.

Failure of the phone girls to receive satisfaction from Postmaster-General Charlton last August has resulted in a letter (which was, indicating that action of a similar nature will be resorted to unless their demands are forthcoming.

A strike herebefore has only been prevented through the eloquent work of President Julia O'Connor, Mary Mahoney and Amy Jahn, members of the union's executive.

That the union is not confined simply to the operators was manifested at the meeting, when it was made known that the mechanical department maintained that the telephone girls of the local company had violated a 1917 agreement by the payment of a strike fund.

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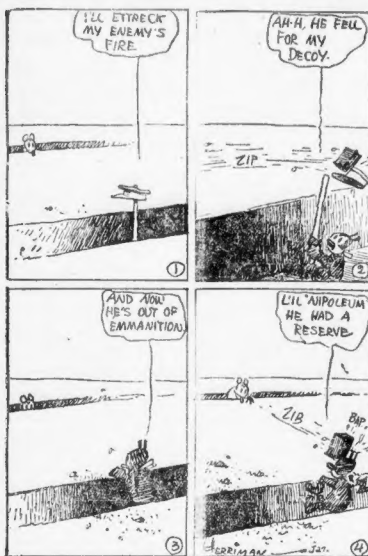
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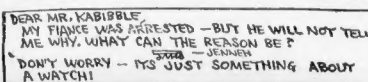
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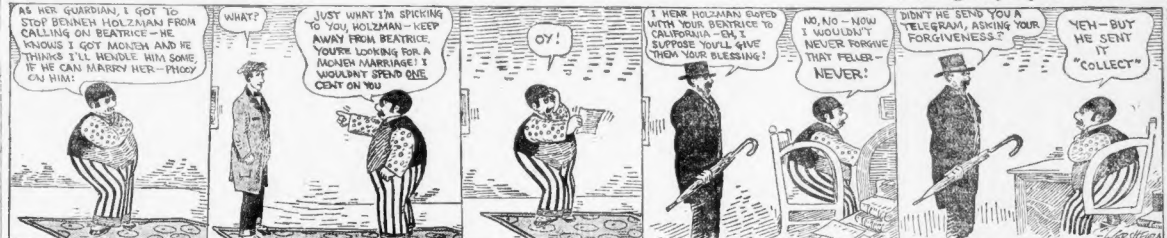
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"A wheel With Death," and the Way to Safeguard the Trip

Medical authority warns us that the period of reconstruction will also be a period of special liability to infectious diseases. In the so-called Spanish influenza, with its death toll exceeding our losses in battle, we have had a malefic example of what may be expected when millions of men and women cease to live normally.

Although its precise origin is in doubt, it seems to owe its wide sweep and virulence to the disturbances of war, and not for years will these disturbances wholly disappear.

Hence among the other aspects of readjustment it will pay us to give close attention to the problems of health. Eternal vigilance is not the price of liberty alone; it is equally the price of health.

Thanks, then, to this growing diffusion of popular knowledge, the setting up of collective safeguards is much easier than it used to be. Purity of water supply, inspection of milk supply, sanitary disposal of refuse and high standards of home and personal cleanliness, together with increasing police restriction of many recognized disease carriers, are less opposed than ever before, and the sentiment behind them is gradually extending the area of preventive or corrective action.

Yet, as Dr. Stephen J. Maher, president of the Connecticut Public Health Association, has recently pointed out, one very ominous source of peril, common to all our American cities, remains as yet unpolluted, but day by day is growing worse. Pertinently he asks:

Of what protection will a scrubbed home and bathed bodies be so long as even one member of the family spends three to six hours a week in a street or subway car in which the incipiently sick and the well and the convalescing are packed so tightly together that neither those who sit nor those who stand can move hand or foot?

Of what value will be lectures on sunlight or fresh air to women who work in factories and who every morning from a hurried breakfast rush into the dark street and fight their way into the crowded car at the corner, and who, at the close of their arduous day, find themselves again in the same car clinging for support to straps or to the men and women beside them?

With what countenance can we preach to the poor about the desirability of their holding sweet converse with Nature, when the only means we provide for taking them from their homes to the country or the shore is a crowded conveyance in which they must suffer themselves for an hour or more to be crushed, trampled on, sat on and made to endure insults to their personal dignity, as well as to their olfactory and visual senses?

How will the proposed health surveys of our towns and cities help us to ward off the next epidemic so long as we supply the oncoming disease with such ideal incubators of pestilence?

Why bother about segregating a few "carriers of disease" so long as we supply to millions of men, women and children every night and every morning civilization's most perfect carriers of disease?

Why get excited about the possibility of spreading typhoid fever or scarlet fever or tuberculosis by means of a few lonely bacilli in infected water or milk so long as we regard with smiling indulgence the crowded street or subway car in which people sneeze or cough all over one another, often because it is physically impossible to reach to pockets or bags for handkerchiefs?

What good will it do in times of pestilence to take such radical measures as closing the schools, churches and theatres if we supply to the young, the pious and the gay so few cars to take them to and from their work that the cars become crowded to two and three times their normal capacity, and the atmospheric conditions become so rank as to cause headaches, malaise and a weakening of the disease-resistance of a large proportion of the passengers? One case of pestilence in one of these cars will be enough to infect every body in the car, and one such carrier will be enough to infect a whole city.

The only answer consistent with public health and public safety, of course, is that the transportation of Americans in cities should be reorganized to DO AWAY WITH DANGEROUS OVERCROWDING and to provide a sufficiency of service, so that every fare-payer may have fresh air and a comfortable seat.

But they tell us this is not possible.

Who tells us so?

The interests that seek a profit in strap-hanging, their paid attorneys, their subsidized newspapers and the misled folk they have fooled.

It will never be possible while the public conveyances remain in their present hands.

It will become possible when the people who use these conveyances require them to be run by the people for the people, and require them to be run well.

Today the costs of the infections spread by the overcrowded street and subway cars are not borne by the profiteers who collect the fares, but fall upon the victims and upon society. And it is with the threat of inflicting MORE overcrowding, MORE disease and MORE burden of cost upon the people who have to ride that these profiteers are now demanding the privilege of collecting yet higher fares, though offering no guarantee of an improved service or of a lessened liability as carriers of disease.

Until now, as Dr. Maher has said, the problem has remained unsolved in this country "because the rich have been indifferent and the poor helpless."

But the poor do not need to remain helpless. They have the ballot to aid them; in cities like Boston they have administrations in power which are not beholden to any private interests or pulls, and they have the benefit of the world-wide feeling that AFTER THE WAR SOCIETY MUST BE REORGANIZED DEMOCRATICALLY.

Therefore, now is their time to move. They must not soon again find conditions so propitious for the assertion of their latent power.



The Frog Pond

By Morton Birge

HE LIKES TITLES. GIVE HIM THESE

Amsterdam chorale society objects to a suggestion of a concert in honor of the Kaiser's birthday today. The "Concert of the Peace" is regarded as sufficient to the situation. However, if the honor concert is held, the following program of music and recitation might not be amiss:

1. "I Hear You Calling Me"
2. "Where Do We Go From Here?"
3. "Over the Hills to the Poorhouse"
4. "End of a Perfect Day"
5. "It Was Not Like That in the Olden Days"
6. "I Dreamt I Dwell in Marble Halls"
7. "The Vacant Chair"
8. "The Bridge of Sighs"
9. "What's the Use of Anything, Nothing Whatever"
10. "Little Boy Blue"
11. "The Gobbler"
12. "My Dear Old Dutch"
13. "H. (By the Kaiser)"

HAZARD OF THE JOB

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SPEAKING OF NAMES

William Freeman is in a Tennessee jail for having three wives (at once).

But William A. Gunning is elected a police constable of Pawnee, N. D.

However, our own Representative Leo S. Hangerford of Mattapan is author of a footstool bill on Boston Hill.

IN FATHER'S FEATHERS

Seven-year-old Raymond Benvenuti of Adams is a chip of the old shaving block. His father, when a boy in Italy, saved a girl from drowning. Now Raymond has just saved his seven-year-old playmate, Miss Lawton, from drowning.

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"Lewis Day accidentally fell and broke his arm in two places recently."—Middlefield (Mass.) news item.

HOW ABOUT A NEW JOB

Headline reads: "Barrenness Discovers New Wage Scale."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Post as Fuel

Editor, Boston American:
In reply to your inquiry of January 23, relative to the post bags in New England, we can only reply from our own knowledge as to the post bags in Massachusetts. There are within the limits of the State at least 200,000 acres of such bags, some of which have been developed for cranberry culture, but the vast proportion of which exist as meadows and chiefly as swamps. These post bags probably contain many million tons of peat, which in its ordinary condition contains about 90 per cent. water. Assuming it were dried to a basis of 15 per cent. water, there are probably at least 400 million tons in these deposits. By far the larger proportion of the peat bags in Massachusetts are located within fifty miles of Boston.

Peat dried to 15 per cent. moisture has a little over half the fuel value of coal. It has been used, of course, extensively as a fuel in all northern countries by simply burning it on the bog and drying it in the air. Many attempts have been made in the past to use it as a fuel, and extensive experiments have been made in many countries, especially in Sweden and Canada, using various methods of preparing it for that purpose. Some of these methods gave satisfactory results, but it has hitherto been impossible to find a method good enough to produce it on a large scale, which would compete with coal.

With the recent increase in the price of coal, it is now being considered as a fuel which may be used economically as a fuel, and such use is at least worthy of thorough investigation.

We are much interested in the suggested appropriation of \$100,000 by Congress, as mentioned in your letter, for the investigation of the use of peat as a fuel. Certainly it seems to us that some of this money should be expended in New England, where the peat bags are very extensive and of excellent quality for the purpose, and especially in Massachusetts, where there would be a great market for the product.

WILLIAM WHEELER,
Secretary Massachusetts Drainage Board.

A Flower Language

In remote Alpine hamlets and villages, especially in the Bernese Oberland, there still exist ancient and pretty customs of proposing marriage by a language of flowers. If a maid accepts a bouquet of edelweiss from a man she at the same time accepts him as her fiancé, the idea being that the man has risked his life to obtain the flowers for the woman he loves.

Another method which exists in the Canton of Glarus is for the young man to place a flower pot containing a single rose and a note on the window sill of the girl's room when she is absent from house and walk—perhaps days—for a reply. If the maid takes the rose the young man boldly enters the house to discuss matters with her parents, but if the rose is allowed to fade away the proposal is rejected without a single word having been exchanged between the couple.

LET US NOT FORGET THE LESSONS OF WAR

By Winifred Black

WELL, Well! I've just seen a group photograph of five smart society women, and one of them is in a riding habit, one in a sport suit and one in a smart evening dress, and the other two—I don't know what it is they wear except that it's rather smart and entirely fetching.

And not a Red Cross uniform among them—not a chevron, not a War Camp Community Service pin. Just plain, everyday women again, as sweet as peaches, every one of them, and as good as gold—if they do happen to be rich and most of them probably are. Why are they going to do now that the war camp service has ended?

How shall we exist without Red Cross tea, and "Y" luncheons, and K. of C. rallies, and Salvation Army bursars?

What shall we do between courses, when there's no one to rise, fumble with his napkin, and say with graceful bewilderment:

"It is with great trepidation that I rise in the face of this distinguished assemblage," etc.

What are we going to keep time to now that there's no song leader whooping "Over There" or "The Long Long Trail" from song to the crowd?

Isn't it great? Isn't it glorious? Isn't it almost unbelievable? We've won—we've won—and yet—

I once read that John Stuart Mill woke up in the night because he dreamed that several of the great humanitarian rights he was maintaining had been won and he said to himself:

"Dear me, what an earth should I find to interest me in the night with something a good deal like a nightmare these days."

Shall We "Go Back"? I wonder if a good many of us aren't waking up in the night with something a good deal like a nightmare these days.

No more rallies, no more drives, no more speeches from the top of No. 10, no more young fellows in uniform for constant attendance. No more flag waving, few bands playing, no processions. What if the world are we going to do with our time, we women who have just waked up to the joy of real service, the ecstasy of hard work well done?

Are we going to sink back and give time to dubious celebrities, and luncheons to meet pretty Mrs. Nobody, who hasn't an idea in her head nor a throb in her heart?

Shall we go back—all of us—to the old, faded, shallow, heartless and life so many of us know, or even to merely the pleasant, amiable, refined, agreeable, harmless sort of self-control sustained by the idea that we should dream of thinking of any one seriously but our own little set and our own kin and ourselves?

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Today

The Perfect Man, Measured.
Mrs. Nolan a Real Fighter.
Between Now and 1921—
Pleasing, Pitiless Publicity.

By Arthur Brisbane

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Mrs. Mary A. Nolan, eighty years old, has been arrested twice, but not sentenced to prison for taking part in "watch night" demonstrations before the White House.

She turned copies of the President's speeches as a protest, because so many American women are still unable to vote. This seems foolish, since Mrs. Wilson has done so much for woman suffrage. You are indicted, however, to sympathize with Mrs. Nolan and be glad that the judge did not send her to jail when you read her statement made in court.

"I have fought this fight for many years, and I am willing to do or suffer anything to bring victory to the long, courageous struggle. I have seen children torn and grow into womanhood to fight at my side. I have seen their children grow right up to fight with us."

Miss Bertha Arnold, who helped Mrs. Nolan, was sent to jail for ten days. And thirteen women that applauded old Mrs. Nolan in the courtroom were sentenced to forty-eight hours in jail.

This is probably necessary, but regrettable. That courageous old woman has made a fight as brave as men any soldier. To send women to jail for applauding her seems to be straining a point for judicial dignity. If thirteen men had applauded an old soldier, would they have gone to jail?

American women have made many sacrifices to help lost Germany. As a result Germany, looted, has thirty-four women elected to the United States Congress, and only one, an Irish woman, in Great Britain, and the rest in jail.

You cannot blame Mrs. Mary A. Nolan, aged eighty, for being puzzled to learn that the world was turned upside down for freedom. WOMEN WOMEN. They can all vote in Germany.

The President says to the Peace Conference: "I say without straining the point that we are not the worst-represented of governments, but worst-represented of the people."

It will not suffice to satisfy governmental circles anywhere. It is necessary that we should satisfy the opinion of mankind.

If that is not so, many men have been imprisoned, shot, hanged, drawn and quartered, broken on the wheel and burned alive for nothing. The strange thing is that the President is necessary for the President of a republic to say it.

One fact the President will bring clear in his mind is this: In this country—where the rulers in Europe, with the exception of the Kaiser, the Spartans in Germany, the Labor Party in England, the Fascists in Italy, and Italy, have discovered that human beings intend to vote for freedom, and that human beings, ALL OF THEM, not for a special minority.

The fashionable tailors gathered at Atlantic City tell you that the perfect man:

Height, five feet eight inches; weight, 148 pounds; chest, 34 inches; waist, 33½ inches; hips, 33 inches; thigh, 21½ inches, and calf, 14½ inches.

Yes, Abraham Lincoln and Leonardo Da Vinci and Francis the First, who encouraged Leonardo, were much over size. Napoleon, Pope Annapolis and Epictetus were under size. Now that the tailors have told us the right size for the human body, can they tell us the proper dimensions for the inside of the head?

Your most important measurement is from the opening of your ear up over the top of your head down to the opening of the ear on the other side. It means a good deal more success than your size around the hips.

When Mr. Wilson returns from Europe he will be interested to learn that children thirteen and fourteen years old have been teaching school in Germany. Why? Because adult teachers have been lacking and follow-up teachers have left the schools and taken the place of young men and women.

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Petition to the Secretary of War to Send Soldiers Home With Six Months' Pay

Sign this petition, get your friends to sign it, and forward it to the
Boston American, 50 Summer Street, Boston, Mass.

To the Honorable Newton D. Baker, Secretary of War:

The undersigned respectfully urge you to return to their homes as soon as possible the soldiers who have accomplished so brilliantly every other America had in the war.

We urge, also, that you obtain the necessary authority to pay these men their military wages for six months, or for some sufficient period after their discharge from the army until they can obtain useful and remunerative employment.

We urge this as an act of simple justice by a great nation to its heroes.

(Signed)

Paste a sheet of paper on this for additional signatures.

GOLDEN EYES

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